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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Derailment of stationary Rail Bogies

266. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any instances of stationary rail bogies derailing in the recent accidents' history of the Railways;

(b) if so, the details of such incidents;

(c) whether it is a fact that the track at Vijayawada railway station is so bad that a stationary bogie of an express train de-railed in the months of January-February, 2000;

(d) if so, the details of this bizarre incident; and

(e) what are the causes of such de-railment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) to (c) No, Sir. However, there was a case of derailment of an AC Coach while on run at Vijayawada station.

(d) Details of accident are as under:—

On 27.1.2000 at about 10.50 hrs. one AC Coach of 2841 Coromandel Express derailed while entering into the platform of Vijayawada station between Rajahmundry and Vijayawada section of Vijayawada Division, South Central Railway.

(e) Above accident was inquired into by a Committee of Officers which concluded that it occurred due to poor maintenance of track.